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WALLINGFORD (CONN.) JOHNSONS.

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1. William[1] Johnson of Wallingford, Connecticut, emigrated to America presumably about 1660, and settled at New Haven. In Dec., 1664, he married Sarah, daughter of John and Jane (Wollen or Woolin) Hall. He was one of the founders or original proprietors of Wallingford, in 1670; and one of the signers of the compact.

   In the town records of New Haven he is sometimes mentioned as "Wingle" Johnson, and is recorded as "husbandman" and "planter." He died in 1716, and his will is recorded at New Haven.

   Children:

   i. Lieut. William,[2] b. September 5, 1665; d. in 1742.
   ii. John, b. July 20, 1667; d. 1744.
   iii. Isaac, of Woodbridge, Conn.; called Deacon and Captain; b. Oct. 27, 1672; d. Oct. 27, 1750; m. in 1699, Abigail, daughter of John Cooper, whose epitaph is given in New Haven Historical papers, Vol. 3, p. 544.
   iv. Abraham, b. 1669.
   v. Abigail, b. December 6, 1670; m. Joseph Lines.
2. vi. Jacob, of Wallingford, b. September 25, 1674; d. July 17, 1749.
   vii. Sarah, b. November 6, 1676; m. Samuel Horton.
   viii. Samuel, b. September 3, 1678; m. Anna Hotchkiss.
   ix. Mary, b. April 1, 1680; m. Samuel Bishop, Jr.
   x. Lydia, b. July 7, 1681; m. ——— Andrews.
   xi. Hope, twin, b. May 10, 1685.
   xii. Elizabeth, twin, b. May 10, 1685; m. Abraham Hotchkiss.
   xiii. Ebenezer, b. April 15, 1688; m. Lydia Hotchkiss.

2. Jacob[2] Johnson, (*William*[1]), of Wallingford, born in New Haven, Sept. 25, 1674; died July 17, 1749; married Dec. 14, 1693, Abigail, daughter of John and Abigail (Merriman) Hitchcock. [See Hitchcock family.] Abigail was a granddaughter of Capt. Nathaniel Merriman, an original proprietor of Wallingford. Jacob was sergeant of the Wallingford train band, and is referred to in the records as "Sergeant" Jacob. He was deputy to the general court. His will is recorded at New Haven.

   Children:

   i. Reuben,[3] b. August 27, 1694; m. March 11, 1718, Mary Dayton. [Tuttle Family, p. 214, gives names of children.]
3. ii. Dea. Isaac, b. Feb. 21, 1696; d. April 23, 1779; m. Sarah Osborne, Nov. 23, 1723.
   iii. Enos, b. 1698; d. 1786; had a son Shuborn.
   iv. Abigail, b. 1699; m. Capt. Benjamin Holt. [Tuttle Family, p. 214.]
   v. Lieut. Caleb, b. 1703; d. Oct. 13, 1777; m. Rachel Brockett.
   vi. Israel, b. 1705; d. 1747; m. Jan. 26, 1732, Sarah Miles. Children, according to Davis's "Wallingford": 1. *Eunice*, b. 1734. 2. *Anna*, b. 1736; 3. *Prudence*, b. 1738; 4. *Caleb*, b. 1739; 5. *Miles*, b. 1741; 6. *Jacob*, b. 1742; 7. *Rebecca*, b. 1744; 8. *Warren*, b. 1747; 9. *Silas*, b. 1749.
4. vii. Daniel, b. 1709; d. Oct. 14, 1780: m. Dec. 24, 1732, Joanna Preston.
   viii. Sarah, b. 1710; m. Daniel Bartholomew. [Bartholomew Family, p. 86.]
5. ix. Capt. Abner, b. Aug. 2, 1702; d. Dec. 28, 1757; m. Dec. 14, 1726, Charity, daughter of Isaac and Rebecca (Tuttle) Dayton, of New Haven. [Tuttle Family.]

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6. x. Rev. Jacob, b. at Wallingford, April 7, 1713; d. at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., March 15, 1797. This line is being traced by Dr. F. C. Johnson, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

3. Deacon Isaac[3] Johnson (*Jacob*[2], *William*[1]), born February 21, 1696; died April 23, 1779; married November 23, 1723, Sarah Osborne.

Children, from town records:

i. Abigail,[4] b. 1727.
ii. Sarah, b. 1729.
7. iii. Isaac, b. 1731.
iv. Esther, b. 1735.
v. Rachel, b. 1740; m. Stephen Todd, b. March 3, 1735, son of Stephen and Lydia (Ives) Todd. They removed to Salisbury, Herkimer Co., N. Y., in 1792. Issue: Isaac; Jehiel, who m. Hannah Steel; Stephen; and Bertha. This family is being traced by Mrs. William H. Faust, of Ann Arbor, Michigan.
vi. Rebecca, b. 1744.

Davis's "Walingford" names all of above except Rebecca, and gives in addition, Joseph, born 1725, and Lois, born 1738.

4. Daniel Johnson[3] (*Jacob*[2], *William*[1]), born 1709; died 1780; married in 1732, Joanna Preston, who was born 1714, and died 1781. He was a trial justice under the King.

Children:

i. Charles,[4] b. 1735.
8. ii. Capt. Solomon, b. 1740. Descendants of this line are being traced by Edward H. Johnson, of Philadelphia, Pa.
iii. Joanna, b. 1743.
9. iv. Lieut. Daniel, b. 1746. Descendants of this line have been traced by George Ransom Johnson, of Cheshire, Conn.
v. Israel, b. 1748.
vi. Justin, b. 1752.
vii. Abigail, b. 1753.
viii. Joshua, b. 1757.
ix. Mindwell, b. 1758.
x. Rebecca, b. 1759.

5. Captain Abner[3] Johnson (*Jacob*,[2] *William*[1]) of Wallingford, born Aug. 2, 1702; died December 28, 1757; married December 14, 1726, Charity, daughter of Isaac and Rebecca (Tuttle) Dayton, the great grand-daughter of Ralph Dayton, the colonist. [Tuttle Family, p. 214.] He was Captain of the train band at Wallingford. His will is at New Haven.

Children:

i. Dayton,[4] b. Feb. 8, 1728.
ii. Lydia, b. 1730; d. 1812; m. May 16, 1749, Ebenezer Fitch; great grand-mother of Elliott Fitch Shepard.
10. iii. Hezekiah, b. March 12, 1732; d. Feb. 21, 1810. This line is being traced by Capt. S. Albert Johnson, of Boonville, N. Y.
iv. Abner, b. Aug. 6, 1738; graduated at Yale, 1759.
11. v. Jacob, b. 1742; d. 1816; m. Esther Hotchkiss; was a soldier in the Revolution. He removed to Johnstown, N. Y.
vi. Charity, b. May 19, 1744; m. (first) John Dinon; m. (second) Samuel Hickox.

6. Rev. Jacob[3] Johnson (*Jacob*,[2] *William*[1]), born at Wallingford, April 7, 1713; died March 15, 1797. While pastor at North Groton, he married Mary, daughter of Capt. Nathaniel and Mary (Williams) Giddings, of Preston, Conn. She was born in 1730, and

died in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., about 1791. His biography is given in Dexter's Graduates of Yale.

Rev. Jacob Johnson's monument at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., has the following epitaph:

Rev. Jacob Johnson, A.M. | Born at Wallingford, Conn., April 7, 1713. | Died at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., March 15, 1797. | Graduated at Yale College, 1740. | Pastor of Congregational Church, | Groton, Conn., 1749–1772. | First pastor of Wilkes-Barre Congregational | (subsequently First Presbyterian) | 1772–1797. | He made missionary journeys to the | Six Nations. | Preaching in the Indian language. | He was an early and outspoken advocate | of American liberty and a commanding | figure in the early history | of Wyoming. | He wrote the articles of capitulation | following the destruction of the | infant settlement | by the British and Indians | in 1778 | and was a firm and self-sacrificing | defender of the Connecticut title | throughout the prolonged land contest. |

Children, all born in Connecticut:

i. Jehoiada Pitt,[5] b. 1767; d. at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., in 1830. Left a large family.
ii. Jacob; had daughter Mary, who m. P. N. Foster of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
iii. Lydia, m. Col. Zebulon Butler, commander of the patriot forces in the battle of Wyoming. Left numerous descendants.
iv. Christiana O., m. William Russell of Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; no issue.

7. Isaac Johnson[4] (*Deacon Isaac,*[3] *Jacob,*[2] *William*[1]) was born June 23, 1731. Davis's "Wallingford" says he married Abigail——. The manuscript records at Wallingford name the following children:

i. David,[5] b. 1758.
ii. Mary, b. 1759.
iii. Lois, b. 1761.
iv. Stephen, b. 1763.
v. Isaac, b. 1766.
vi. Warren, b. 1768.

8. Capt. Solomon[4] Johnson (*Daniel,*[3] *Jacob,*[2] *William*[1]), of Wallingford, born May 4, 1740; died April 4, 1700. He was a Revolutionary soldier, and sea captain. He left a son, Charles, who was born 1767, in Wallingford, Conn.; died 1848, in Durham, N. Y.; married at New Haven, Conn., Elizabeth Rice. His son, Solomon Rice Johnson, born 1797, at Durham, N. Y.; married Mary Whittlesey of Saybrook, Conn.; d. at Durham in 1833. His son, Solomon Whittlesey Johnson, of New York City and Warwick, New York, President of the American News Company, married Sept. 12, 1853, Adelaide Hine of Cairo, N. Y. His son Edward Hine Johnson is now a resident of Philadelphia, Pa.

9. Lieut. Daniel[4] Johnson (*Daniel,*[3] *Jacob,*[2] *William*[1]), born March 24, 1746; died 1830; married Rebecca Hitchcock.

Children:

i. Cephas,[5] b. 1782.
ii. Augustus, b. 1783.
iii. Willett, b. 1785.
iv. Dan, b. 1787.
v. Ransom, b. 1788.
vi. Louisa, b. 1791.

10. Capt. Hezekiah[4] Johnson (*Abner,*[3] *Jacob,*[2] *William*[1]) of Wallingford and Hamden, Conn., born March 12, 1732; died Feb. 21,

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1810; married Nov. 1758, Ruth, daughter of Lieut. Caleb and Ruth (Sedgwick) Merriman, great grand-daughter of Capt. Nathaniel Merriman, who was one of the founders of Wallingford, and of Maj.-Gen. Robert Sedgwick, charter member and second captain of the "Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company" of Boston. He was a soldier of the Revolution.

Children:

i. Caleb[5], b. July 18, 1759; graduated at Yale, 1785.
ii. George, b. Nov. 7, 1760.
iii. Charles, b. Nov. 2, 1762.
iv. Lucinda, b. 1763.
v. Ruth, b. May 31, 1765; m. Asahel Hall of Salisbury, N. Y.
vi. Belcher, b. Dec. 25, 1767; d. June 20, 1837; m. Hannah, daughter of Reynolds and Mary (Rathbun) Cahoon. He removed to Salisbury, N. Y., about 1790.
vii. Hezekiah, b. Dec. 25, 1779; m. Elizabeth Tuttle, and inherited the homestead at Hamden, Conn.
viii. Diantha, b. July 22, 1770; m. Joseph Shepherd.
ix. Sophia, b. Oct. 31, 1774; m. —— Dayton, of New Haven, Conn.
x. Charity Betsey, b. March 23, 1777; m. —— Kneelon.
xi. Lucinda, b. May 3, 1783; m. Nathan Burr, of Kingsboro, N. Y.

11. Jacob[4] Johnson (*Abner*,[3] *Jacob*[2], *William*[1]), born 1742; died 1816; removed to Johnstown, N. Y., about 1800; was a Revolutionary soldier; married Esther Hotchkiss, and had eight children. One son, Jacob,[5] married Sarah Jewett, and is the fourth Jacob in the family. [Tuttle confuses the four Jacobs mentioned in this article.] Jacob[4] had a son Caleb, among whose sons was Judge Stephen Hotchkiss Johnson, father of the Rt. Rev. Joseph H. Johnson, D.D. (born 1847), present Protestant Episcopal Bishop of Los Angeles, California.

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